

What is claimed is:

1. A photographic service system comprising:

(a) at least one or more of an image input apparatus comprising

(1) means for receiving an order by itself without a dedicated operator,

(2) means for photographic-processing a silver halide photographic light-sensitive material,

(3) means for converting image recording information of the silver halide photographic light-sensitive material after the photographic processing into digital image data through an image sensor, and

(4) means for issuing an ID for retrieving digital image data and an index print after receiving the order; and

(b) an image server comprising

(1) means for communicating with the image input apparatus through a network and

(2) means for giving the ID for retrieving digital image data to the digital image data transferred from the image input apparatus and for storing the digital image data.

2. The photographic service system of claim 1, wherein at least one of the image input apparatus comprises:

means for capturing the digital image data from the image server by inputting the ID for retrieving; and

means for storing the captured image data in a detachable external memory medium.

3. The photographic service system of claim 1, further comprising a client computer having means for communicating with the image server through a network, wherein the image input apparatus comprises

means for issuing, after receiving the order, a home page address, an ID for retrieving digital image data and an index print, and the client computer further comprises,

means for enabling an operator to read the digital data by inputting the ID for retrieving digital image data while the client computer is communicated with the image server through the network, and

means for storing the digital image data into a memory medium of the client computer.

4. The photographic service system of claim 1, wherein the image input apparatus comprises:

means for receiving an order for producing a digital print;

means for issuing, after receiving an order, an ID for retrieving digital image data;

means for preparing an order data file in which the content of the order for the digital print and the ID for retrieving are recorded;

means for transferring the order data file in the state of being separated from digital image data to the image server;

means for reading out the order data file and digital image data from the image server on the basis of the ID for retrieving recorded in the order data file; and

means for producing a digital print on the basis of the order data file.

5. The photographic service system of claim 1, further comprising means for producing a digital print from the digital image data stored in the image server,

wherein the image input apparatus comprises means for issuing an order form with an index print attached in which a column to be filled with an order for the digital print and an ID for retrieving digital image data are described.

6. The photographic service system of claim 1, wherein the image input apparatus comprises means for issuing an

order form with an index print attached in which a column to be filled with an order for a digital print, an ID for retrieving digital image data, and at least one of a telephone number and a facsimile number are described.

7. The photographic service system of claim 1, further comprising means for producing a digital print from digital image data stored in the image server,

wherein the image input apparatus comprises means for issuing an order form with an index print and an ID for retrieving digital image data attached in which an order for producing the digital print is described.

8. The photographic service system of claim 3, wherein the client computer is further able to make an order for producing a digital print.

9. The photographic service system of claim 1, wherein at least two or more of the image input apparatus are provided.

10. An image input apparatus comprising means for receiving an order by itself (without a dedicated operator), means for photographic-processing a silver halide

photographic light-sensitive material, means for converting image recording information of the silver halide photographic light-sensitive material after the photographic processing into digital image data through an image sensor, and means for issuing a specified form in which an ID for retrieving a digital image is described.

11. The image input apparatus of claim 10, further comprising means for issuing a specified form in which a home page address in addition to the ID for retrieving a digital image is described.

12. The image input apparatus of claim 11, further comprising means for issuing a specified form in which a index print in addition to the ID for retrieving a digital image and the home page address is described.

13. The image input apparatus of claim 12, wherein the specified form has a magnetic layer for recording information, and order data is recorded in the magnetic recording layer.